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(CIA-FBI)

*House Judiciary Committee*

WASHINGTON (UPI) -- VICE PRESIDENT NELSON ROCKEFELLER IS TELLING ASSOCIATES THAT FORMER FBI DIRECTOR J. EDGAR HOOVER'S REFUSAL TO COOPERATE LED TO ILLEGAL DOMESTIC SPYING BY THE CIA.

ROCKEFELLER, WHO HEADS PRESIDENT FORD'S PANEL INVESTIGATING THE CIA, SAID THE CIA UNDERTOOK THE SPYING AT THE INSISTENCE OF "THE ADMINISTRATION." HE DID NOT INDICATE WHETHER THIS WAS THE ADMINISTRATION OF PRESIDENT LYNDON JOHNSON OR RICHARD NIXON, OR BOTH.

THE VICE PRESIDENT MADE THE COMMENTS AT A CLOSED QUESTION-AND-ANSWER SESSION FOR ABOUT 50 PERSONS WHO PAID A \$1,000 EACH TO ATTEND A RECEPTION FOR REPUBLICANS IN NEW VERNON, N.J., WEDNESDAY, ACCORDING TO TWO PERSONS WHO ATTENDED THE MEETING. HE REPORTEDLY MADE SIMILAR COMMENTS TO ASSOCIATES IN WASHINGTON.

ROCKEFELLER WAS QUOTED AS SAYING INFORMATION TURNED UP BY THE COMMISSION INDICATES HOOVER'S ROLE "SEEMS TO BE WHERE THE PROBLEM BEGAN."

ROCKEFELLER SPOKESMAN JOHN MULLIKEN REFUSED TO SAY WHAT THE VICE PRESIDENT TOLD THE NEW JERSEY REPUBLICANS ABOUT THE CIA.

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WASHINGTON (UPI) -- REP. DON EDWARDS, D-CALIF., SAID THURSDAY HE HAS ASKED THE GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE TO INVESTIGATE THE FBI'S DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE GATHERING ACTIVITIES.

EDWARDS SAID THE GAO PROBE IS PART OF PART OF AN INQUIRY OF HIS SUBCOMMITTEE ON CIVIL AND CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS.

EDWARDS SAID HIS SUBCOMMITTEE WILL BEGIN HEARINGS ON THE FBI FEB.

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*Subcom on Civil Rights & Constitution Rights*

MIAMI (UPI) -- OUTGOING ATTORNEY GENERAL WILLIAM SAXBE SAYS A "SUPER COMMITTEE" MADE UP OF MEMBERS OF CONGRESS AND EXECUTIVE APPOINTEES SHOULD BE CREATED AS A WATCHDOG AGAINST ABUSES IN INTELLIGENCE OPERATIONS.

SAXBE, SPEAKING THURSDAY BEFORE THE DADE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION, SAID ABUSES IN INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES OCCURRED BECAUSE THE OPERATIONS HAVE HAD VIRTUALLY A FREE HAND.

SAXBE SAID THE COMMITTEE HE HAD IN MIND TO OVERLOOK INTELLIGENCE OPERATIONS WOULD NOT ONLY INCLUDE HOUSE AND SENATE MEMBERS BUT ALSO HIGH-LEVEL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND OUTSIDERS APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT.

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